

Medical Universities

1555. MIRZA ABDUL RASHID: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Medical Universities have been functioning in some States in the country;
- (b) if so, whether there is any proposal for establishing such Medical University in Jammu and Kashmir; and
- (c) if so, by when such a step is proposed to be initiated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) As per information available such Universities are functioning in Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Punjab and Tamil Nadu.

(b) and (c) According to the State Government there is no formal proposal with the Government at present to establish a Medical University in Jammu and Kashmir.

New Health Policy

1556. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether formulation of a New Health Policy is presently under active consideration of Government;
- (b) if so, the special features thereof and main objectives to be achieved thereby;
- (c) whether the draft New Health Policy was recently placed before the Conference of State Ministers held in Delhi;
- (d) if so, the details of suggestions made at the Conference and reaction of Government thereto;
- (e) whether the New Health Policy is likely to involve more Governmental expenditure and public participation therein;
- (f) if so, the details of funding and financing thereof; and
- (g) by when the New Health Policy is likely to be announced?